

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. An apparatus for displaying time comprising:
 - a memory for storing a day sequence including time for the beginning
5 and ending of twilight and sunrise and sunset for each calendar day of the year for
various coordinate positions in a memory;
 - a receiver for receiving a current coordinate position in latitude and
longitude, a current calendar day, and a current time;
 - a register operatively connected to said memory and said receiver for
10 registering a current coordinate position in latitude and longitude, a current calendar
day, and a current time; and
 - a display operatively connected to said register and said memory for
presenting the current time on an analog clock face with pie-shaped sections for
twilight.
- 15 2. An apparatus for displaying time as set forth in claim 1 wherein said
display further includes pie-shaped sections for day and night respectively.
3. An apparatus for displaying time as set forth in claim 1 wherein said
20 display is a twelve hour analog clock.
4. An apparatus for displaying time as set forth in claim 1 wherein said
display is a twenty four hour analog clock.

5. An apparatus for displaying time as set forth in claim 1 wherein said receiver is a global positioning receiver.

6. An apparatus for displaying time as set forth in claim 1 wherein said receiver is a manual input device.

7. A method for displaying time comprising:

storing a day sequence including times for the beginning and ending of twilight and sunrise and sunset for each calendar day of the year for various coordinate positions in a memory;

receiving a current coordinate position in latitude and longitude, a current calendar day, and a current time;

registering a current coordinate position in latitude and longitude, a current calendar day, and a current time;

retrieving a stored day sequence from the memory corresponding to the registered current coordinate position and current calendar day; and

presenting the current time on a circular clock face with pie-shaped sections for twilight.

8. A method for displaying time as set forth in claim 1 wherein presenting the current time further includes pie-shaped sections for day and night respectively.

9. A method for displaying time as set forth in claim 1 further including repositioning the pie-shaped sections at predetermined times.

10. A method for displaying time as set forth in claim 3 further including repositioning the pie-shaped sections continuously.

11. A method for displaying time as set forth in claim 3 wherein presenting the time on a circular clock face further includes a twelve hour clock.

12. A method for displaying time as set forth in claim 3 wherein presenting the time on a circular clock face further includes a twenty-four hour clock.

13. A method for displaying time as set forth in claim 3 wherein the predetermined times are noon and midnight respectively.

14. A method for displaying time as set forth in claim 3 wherein the predetermined time is midnight.

15. A method for displaying time as set forth in claim 3 wherein repositioning the pie shape sections further includes presenting pie-shaped sections for twilight and night and day corresponding to the successive twelve hours.

16. A method for displaying time as set forth in claim 3 wherein repositioning the pie-shaped sections further includes presenting pie-shaped sections for twilight and night and day corresponding to the successive twenty-four hours.

5 17. A method for displaying time as set forth in claim 1 wherein registering a current coordinate position in latitude and longitude, a corresponding current calendar day, and a current time is further defined as receiving a global positioning signal to determine the current calendar day, the current time, and the current coordinate position.

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18. A method for displaying time as set forth in claim 11 further including updating the time by receiving a global positioning signal at periodic intervals.

15 19. A method for displaying time as set forth in claim 1 wherein registering a current coordinate position in latitude and longitude, a current date and a current time is further defined as manually inputting the coordinate position in latitude and longitude, the current calendar date and the current time.

20 20. A method for displaying time as set forth in claim 1 wherein registering a current coordinate position in latitude and longitude, a current calendar day and a current corresponding time is further defined as manually inputting the coordinate position in latitude and longitude and receiving the corresponding calendar date and corresponding time from the atomic clock.

21. A method for displaying time as set forth in claim 1 further including displaying the current calendar date approximate the clock face.

22. A method for displaying time as set forth in claim 1 further including
5 displaying the current time zone approximate the clock face.

23. A method for displaying time as set forth in claim 1 further including displaying the current coordinate position approximate the clock face.

10 24. A method for displaying time as set forth in claim 1 further including displaying the time for the sunrise and sunset approximate the clock face.

25. A method for displaying time as set forth in claim 1 further including displaying the time for twilight approximate the clock face.

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26. A method for displaying time as set forth in claim 1 further including displaying the time digitally approximate the clock face.